US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)

416th Theater Engineer Command (TEC)

Contingency Response Unit

Unit Brief

COL Robert D. Carlson

Commander

CRU MISSION

Provide USACE commanders and 416th Theater Engineer Command (TEC) with engineer battle staff capability in support of global military contingency operations. Plan and execute USACE Field Force Engineering (FFE) missions in support of combatant command operations.

CRU HISTORY

Highly specialized unit created shortly before 9-11 to give USACE a rapid response capability to provide technical & engineering C2 support to USACE Commanders in support of combatant commands worldwide – primarily for disaster relief operations & overseas contingency operations (OCO).

Major Events Supported:

- 9-11 Terrorist Attacks
- 2004-05 Southeast Asian Tsunami
- Hurricane Katrina
- OEF/OIF

“THE CRU IS …”

- Highly specialized Reserve unit with senior engineer staff officers & NCOs
- Deployable as a team or individual augmentees
- Capable of providing worldwide OCO Engineer support
- Soldiers with a wide range of military and civilian skills & experiences
  - Majority of soldiers have deployed
  - Mostly degreed engineers
  - Many with PEs & advanced degrees
- Trained in engineer operations
  - Field Force Engineering (FFE)
  - “Reachback” to support the warfighter

CRU METL

- Develop and execute OPLANs to support USACE military operations in theater to include Field Force Engineering missions.
- Provide trained engineer battle staff capability and LNO/planners for USACE and subordinate divisions.
- Provide command and control engineer teams.
- Mobilize and deploy engineer teams to provide sustained operations.
- Maintain a technically competent and proficient unit through recruitment, training, and retention.

CRU ORGANIZATION

HEADQUARTERS
(HQUSACE)
COL Robert Carlson – CDR
LTC Jeffrey Kwiecinski - DCDR
SGM Tom Jankiewicz

Full Time Support
MAJ Charles Lewis (S-3)
SFC William Greenway (ASST S-3)
SFC Ruth Wong (S-1)
Vacant, (GS 9, SAA)
Vacant,.(GS 7, UA)

PACOM Team
Pacific Ocean Division
LTC Phil John Penn

EUCOM Team
North Atlantic Division
LTC Alok Upadhyaya

CENTCOM Team
Trans Atlantic Division
LTC Stephen Dale

SOUTHCOM Team
South Atlantic Division
MAJ Scott Lowdermilk

NORTHCOM Team
North West Division
MAJ Michael Sherman

AFRICOM Team
(*Proposed*)

CRU TDA AUTHORIZATION

# positions	Rank Authorized	PMOS	
1	Colonel	21A	
1	SGM	21X	
21	Lieutenant Colonels	21A	
2	Lieutenant Colonels		21D
6	Majors	21A	
7	Majors	21D	
7	SFC	21H	
1	SFC	42A	

46 pax Total

CRU TEAM COMPOSITION

Standardized Team (9 Pax):

LTC (O-5)	Team Chief (21A)
LTC (O-5)	Deputy Team Chief (21A)
LTC (O-5)	Operations Officer (21A)
LTC (O-5)	Project Officer (21D)
MAJ (O-4)	Operations Officer (21A)
MAJ (O-4)	Operations Officer (21A)
MAJ (O-4)	Real Estate Officer (21D)
SFC (E-7)	Quality Assurance NCO (21H)
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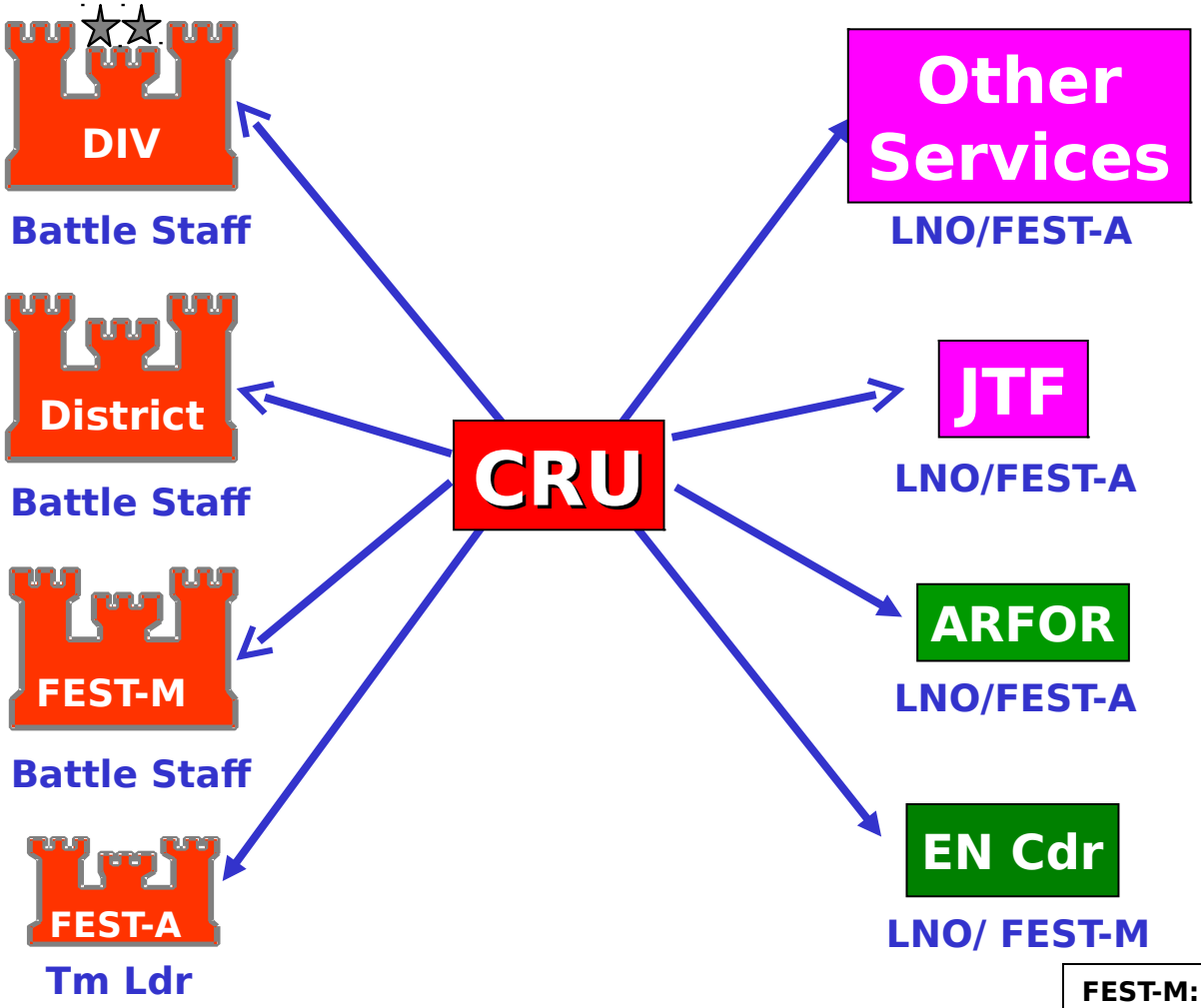
CRU IN CONTINGENCY OPNS

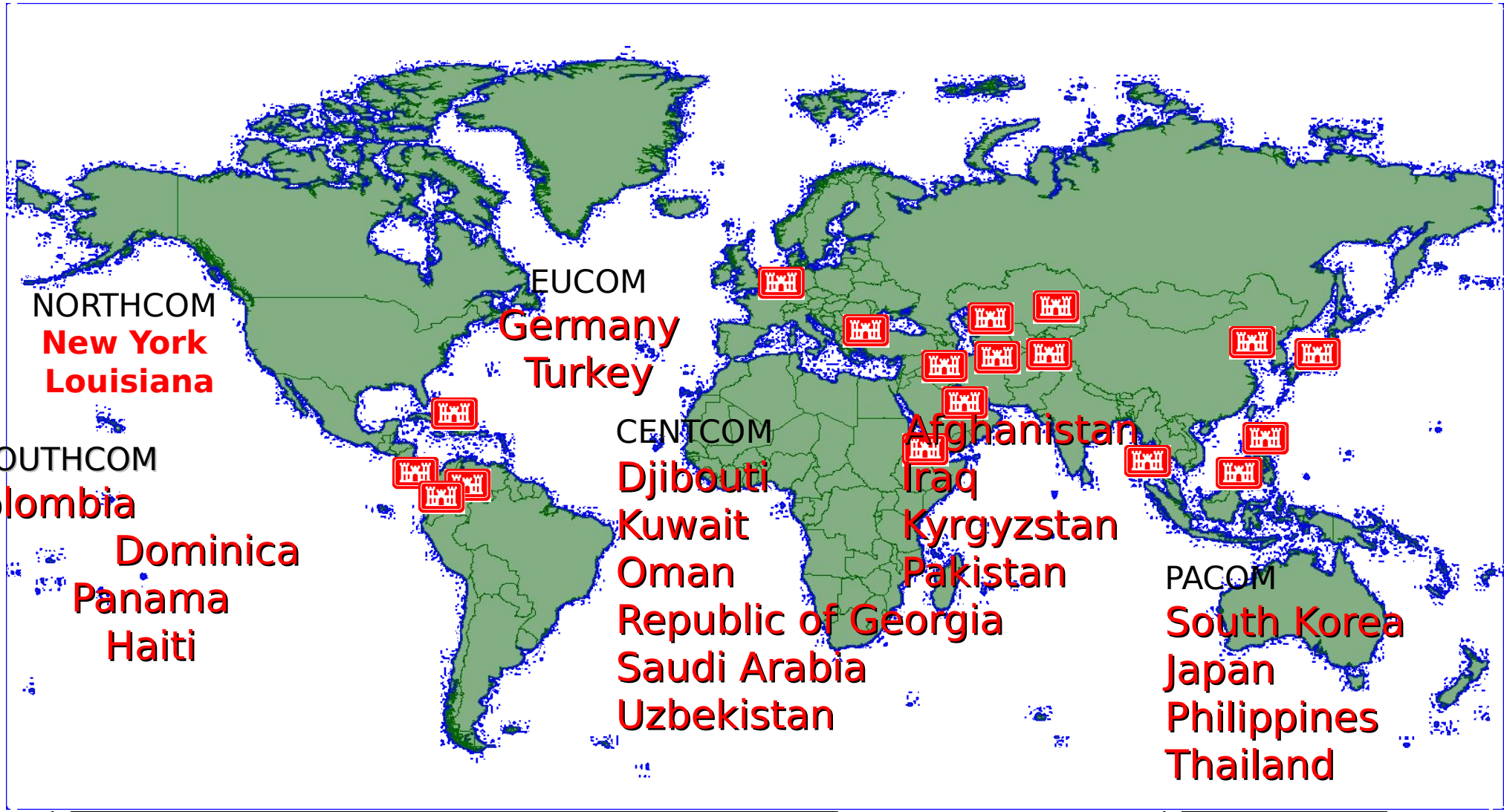


- The CRU provides additional military personnel to HQUSACE and its forward deployed commanders.

- At the direction of the Commander, CRU personnel augment Div/Dist Engineer Staff or deploy as FEST members.

FEST-M: Forward Engineer Support Team – Main
FEST-A: Forward Engineer Support Team - Augmentation

CRU MISSIONS – ACTIVE AND RESERVE



FY 08-09 CRU HIGHLIGHTS

TNG EXERCISES & MISSIONS:

- Terminal Fury (Japan)
- Ulchi Focus Lens (S. Korea)
- Alaska/Hawaii EOC Backfill
- Ardent Sentry (NORTHCOM)
- Austere Challenge (EUCOM)
- Judicious Response (EUCOM)
- Sharp Focus (EUCOM)
- Lucky Strike (CENTCOM)
- Key Resolve (PACOM)
- Humanitarian (AFRICOM)
- Iraq and Afghanistan PRTs & J2, Engineer Analysis (CENTCOM)
- Mobilizations to AED & GRD
- 412th TEC, Deployable Command Post (DCP)

CONCLUSION

The Contingency Response Unit is a vital asset to USACE and 416th TEC in support of the Warfighter mission.

We are looking for highly motivated, technically and operationally experienced Engineer Officers and NCOs to join the CRU and become a force multiplier to the Engineer Regiment and the Combatant Commander.

We invite you to be a part of this team and make a difference!

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